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## BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE

DECISION TO APPROVE A LARGE
MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE
DECISION TO APPROVE

FOR ROUND VALLEY ROCK, INC.'S,

ROUND VALLEY ROCK MINE, : NO. M/029/004

MORGAN COUNTY, UTAH

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 3 EAST, SLBM, MORGAN COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve the Large Mining Operations Notice of Intention for Round Valley Rock Inc.'s Round Valley Rock Mine. Mining activities will affect the following area: Portions of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 and the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 29; Township 4 South, Range 3 East, SLBM, Morgan County, Utah.

Round Valley Rock, Inc. has submitted a permit application to expand an existing small mining project to a large mining operation. Reclamation surety has been provided to the Division for the proposed project disturbance. The operator will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 45 acres of private land.

**During Operations**: No permanent facilities are associated with this operation. Temporary structures include a 500-gallon fuel tank w/secondary containment, and two contractor owned explosives trailers. The access road was pre-existing and will remain post mining. Prior to new disturbances, soils that can safely be salvaged will be removed and stockpiled for reclamation. Stone is blasted and excavated from the quarry area and hauled to the market. No crushing occurs on site. Fugitive dust will be controlled by application water as needed.

After Operations: Roads constructed for this operation will be reclaimed by regrading, ripping, topsoil replacement and seeding. Highwalls will be benched and left at a 1h:1v (45- degree) slope. Other slope areas, waste/overburden piles, etc. will be regraded to a 3h:1v slope, contour ripped and/or pitted; topsoil or substitute material will be re-applied (approximate 6- inch depth)

and seeded. Substitute soil materials will be amended as necessary with approximately 5- ton per acre of composted manure. The only facility to be left is the pre-existing access road.

The person representing the company is Mr. Joseph Scott Rees; Phone (801) 82903374. Round Valley Rock, Inc. is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Ann. §40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint and if a hearing is desired. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.

DATED THIS 1st day of November, 2005

STATE OF UTAH DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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Mary Ann Wright

Associate Director, Mining

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Tentative Decision to Approve the Large Mining Notice of Intention for Round Valley Rock, Inc.'s Round Valley Rock Mine, M/029/004 to be sent via facsimile, electronic mail, or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, the <u>1st</u> day of November, 2005 to:

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